

# City of Portland Public Health Division - Health Care for the Homeless

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## Project Description

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The HCH Program of the City of Portland is operated by the Public Health Division of the Department of Health and Human Services.

### Services

The HCH program provides onsite primary health care, dental services, and mental health and substance abuse services. Extensive outreach is done by primary care, dental, and MH/SA staff at meal sites, shelters, half-way houses, and campsites. Intensive mental health outreach and intervention is provided through collaboration with the Maine State Department of Health and Human Services. Respite care provides 24-hour nursing care. Access to volunteer sub specialists is provided. All adult ambulatory care services are available to clients regardless of their ability to pay.

### Linkages

The Division of Social Services is located within the city's health department. Their services include shelters, employment and youth services, housing placements, general assistance, short term crisis intervention, and day respite services. Mercy Hospital contributes ancillary services, such as lab work, EKG, EEG, and x-rays. The Portland Community Free Clinic, another public health program, is supported by a unique combination of community volunteers, Mercy Hospital, and Public Health Division. This clinic offers specialty services, such as podiatry, orthopedics, and dermatology clinics. A volunteer dental clinic, another public health program, provides limited dental services. A clinic serving runaway and homeless youth operates within a collaborative of youth-serving agencies at a multi-service site. The community resource center is a centralized site of services.

### Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 5,000 Project users: 1,934

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### Project Description

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This project is located in the rural, southernmost county in Maine. Dual programs, HCH and Public Housing Primary Care, are located at a multi-services site (WIC, Head Start, Outreach, Transportation, etc.) and operated by York County Community Action Corporation.

**Services**

Services include primary and preventive health care, oral health, and mental health/substance abuse diagnostic and treatment services for adults, children, and adolescents in York County. Services also include support/liaison services, respite care beds, and access to transitional and permanent housing. A Healthy Habits Center, focused on implementing preventive health strategies, is implemented collaboratively with York County Shelter Programs.

**Linkages**

Linkages include York County Shelter Programs, Sanford Housing Authority, Counseling Services, Sweetser Homeless Youth Outreach Services, Goodall Hospital, University of New England Schools of Medicine and Allied Professions, Maine Medical Center, and Partners for Healthier Communities.

**Statistics**

Estimated homeless population: 800